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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 7:26 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sean Cockerham/ Kelly

Does Sean know I don't let lobbyists in my office.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 06 May 2008 19:26:47

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>

Subject: Sean Cockerham/ Kelly

Governor-

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Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Tue May 06 17:27:37 2008

Subject: Re: Juneau Empire

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Cc: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

Subject: Juneau Empire

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 3:39 PM
To: 'mkuffner@gci.net'
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 3:38 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Mary Kuffner
address: 2431 Lyvona Ln Anchorage AK 99502

MESSAGE:

Hi Governor Palin,

I am a long standing supporter of the Alaska Zoo and understand that some key funding is in the Capital Budget for the zoo and I want to let you know I support that funding. On behalf of my granddaughters and granddaughter to be and our families who have enjoyed countless hours at the Zoo - happy times - birthdays of Maggie, Ahpun, to sad times like the death of Annabelle, Binky and the moving of Maggie, the Zoo is an important part of education and fun for all ages.

Also congratulations to you and your husband and family on the wonderful bundle of joy, Trig - he is lucky to have a wonderful family with all the challenges he will face.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mary Lou Kuffner

23 year year Sourdough.

mkuffner@gci.net

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 3:40 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Paulette Rowan
address: 14 Daytin Park Road Philippi WV 26416
304-457-2874

MESSAGE:

Dear Sarah, I first want to congratulate you on the birth of your new baby. I have the understanding that the baby was born with Down Syndrome. I have a daughter who was born 6 years ago with DS. On the day she was born, I had lots of questions and wondered why I had been chosen to be the mother of this beautiful baby girl who wasn't perfect. I was devastated. The medical problems that are associated with DS have been numerous. Sooon, I learned what an absolute gift that I had been given. I now thank God everyday for the wonderful child I have been blessed with. I am not aware of your feelings or how you are dealing with the baby you have been given but I do you want to you know that if you do not realize it yet.....you soon will, that you have been chosen to raise an angel on earth. I wish you the best. Sincerely, Paulette Rowan

Rowan4ever03@aol.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 3:10 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Seniors

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 3:11 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Mr. Paul Trygstad
address: P.O. Box 3630 Homer AK 99603

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin:

Thank you for your fine comments on Alaskan Seniors last week.

My wife and I are thrilled with your genuineness, leadership, professionalism, insight, and effervescence as Governor.

My wife's parents are from Central Texas, have never budged, and I enjoyed sharing some thoughts with them about your recent birth of your son, your race home, the fish picker requirements of residency etc. etc.

I am seventy-one years old, a resident since 1967, still in business here in Homer AND I am very excited about the unique and appropriate name for your new son Trig... a good choice!

Sincerely and Continued Blessings to you and your family

Paul Trygstad

Congratulations on your new son

pftrygstad@gmail.com

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To: Mason; Janice L. (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 2:09 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Elizabeth Rye
address: 2967 Spruce Ct. Arcadia CA 91006
. 626-821-6440

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin,

Congratulations on your baby boy! I just finished reading an article that confirmed a rumor I'd been hearing that Trig has Down Syndrome. Thank you so much for your commitment to life, and for your decision, now so rare, to bring him into this world.

My husband and I also have a child with Down Syndrome, Hannah, our second of three daughters. Hannah is now three and a half years old. I cannot express to you how much joy she has brought into our lives (along with some heartache, as is true for all children). We frequently thank God for the blessing of having this precious little girl. I think most people in this country have no clue whatsoever what we are sacrificing by killing these special children off before they ever have a chance at life. Their gifts are unique, and in my opinion, irreplaceable. Their capacity for love is matched only in the rarest of human beings. While Trig will definitely introduce some complexities into your family, he will more than make up for that with his love, his laughter, and in the opportunities for growth that he will provide for both his parents and his siblings.

I pray for great blessing on your family, even as I know you will all be richly blessed with your latest edition.

Take care, and all my best!

Elizabeth Rye

erye@roadrunner.com

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Subject: FW: Other

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 2:19 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: cosette moore
address: stebbins school stebbins AK 99671
907-934-3021

MESSAGE:

What a terrific role model you are Governor Palin. Thank you for being such a powerful role as a mother and the governor. I am sure that Trig will have the best for himself with fine parents like you. I am a special education teacher in bush AK. and I see every day how special needs children are indeed very special and they can and do contribute much to even small villages. I know you will both keep on doing what is right. Sincerely,
Cosette Moore

cosettem@mail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 2:47 PM
To: Benedict, Nichole M (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 2:32 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. linda knighten
address: 272 Bentley Drive Fairbanks AK 99701
347-5582

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin, I would first like to say that you make women proud to be women. In this day and time it is so rewarding to have leadership that proves women can handle motherhood, work and leadership each day. I would also like to comment on the status of mental health services here in Fairbanks. I have work

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To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:37 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Sassa Ruby
address: P.O. Box 121 Dillingham AK 99576
907-842-1059

MESSAGE:

Welcome Trig! Welcome to the family! We are honored to have you in our world. You were born on my wedding anniversary to my late husband Andy.

Congratulations Todd and Sarah! You will find that you will become knowledgeable about your sons needs. I, too have a son with trisomy 21. In fact he has multiple disabilities. The second being ASD (Autistic Spectrum Disorder) I cry, laugh, and smile with my son. I was emotional at first because I knew nothing. Now I feel I know alot. I wish you and Todd my best. Again, my heart sings with joy!

Sassa

sassa@dlgsd.org

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:45 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Toni Zlatic
address: 2600 Camelot Drive Dyer IN 46311
2198645803

MESSAGE:

I just wanted to say congratulations on the birth of your new baby boy! I too have a child with Down Syndrome. A beautiful little girl. She has brought much happiness to our family. She has 2 sisters which adore her. Your Attitude was most refreshing. Best wishes for you and your family.

Toni Zlatic

tzlatic@hotmail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 2:48 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: WICHE Policy Alert - May 6, 2008

From: Policy Analysis & Research [mailto:policy@wiche.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 2:16 PM
To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: WICHE Policy Alert - May 6, 2008

WICHE Policy Alerts - May 6, 2008

"Education Beyond the Rhetoric: Making "Rigor" Something Real" (<http://www.wiche.edu/statescholars/summit/summitPolicyBrief.pdf>) is a new policy brief published by the State Scholars Initiative, which is administered by WICHE and funded by the U.S. Department of Education. Written to serve as the foundation for substantive discussions during the State Scholars Initiative National Summit on Academic Rigor and Relevance, this policy brief underlines the need to define academic rigor, demonstrates how students today receive a confusing array of messages about what is necessary in high school and required in college, and outlines suggestions for how to create systems of education that are more responsive to the needs of students entering a rapidly changing world.

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) strives to maintain excellent communication with the education policy and research communities. To subscribe or unsubscribe to the Policy Alerts and/or Stat Alerts distribution lists, please email your name, title, and organization to Cheryl Greves at cgraves@wiche.edu. These electronic distribution lists are used only to support WICHE-sponsored programs and to share resources about relevant issues in higher education policy and research. As an additional resource, WICHE maintains a Policy Publication Clearinghouse on the web at <http://wiche.edu/policy/Clearinghouse>, which includes past Policy Alerts and Stat Alerts, as well as other studies, reports, surveys, and policy briefs.

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From: Grace Olrun [grace.olrun@MarshCreekLLC.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 2:12 PM
To: mdunham@adn.com; Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Cc: Palin; Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: contact information for Miss Indian World - anything anyone can do to help her represent the State?

Importance: High

Mr. Dunham & Ms. Hughes (Gov. Palin): if you don't already have it – contact information for the wonderful Miss WEIO & now Miss Indian World

She now represents all U.S. tribal entities in a ceremonial role.

http://www.gatheringofnations.com/miss_indian_world/index.htm

What a wonderful opportunity to spotlight a young lady who is working hard to represent Alaska in a very positive way. An excellent chance we have here to celebrate our Native youth who are making a difference and have an opportunity to touch communities outside of Alaska.

Nicole M. Colbert 907.748.5851 (cell)
Napakiak

two emails: missweio@gmail.com
coach-cole@hotmail.com

She really has to do some sponsorship chasing now. She'll be doing more travel than she expected. She dances with Kicaput when we run into each other. She does a lot of voluntary speaking to school kids, above and beyond community outreach. She did a pro-bono spot about abstaining from pre-marital sex that can be seen on Alaska channels. An excellent representative of Native Alaska, excellent representative of Alaska and now Miss Indian world. She's trying to get ready for college studies.

Please, is there some way we in the community and the State can celebrate the accomplishments of this very gracious and humble young lady? Is there any way a call to the community at large to celebrate her accomplishment and assist her with her expenses?

Grace Olrun
Anchorage
223-2621

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Subject: FW: Other

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:56 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. amy cobb
address: 1580 beaumont drive kennesaw FL 30152

MESSAGE:

Congrats on the new addition to your family. I am encouraged to hear about a politician standing up for the rights of the unborn (our smallest and weakest citizens.) Sincerely,
Amy Cobb

artfullyoursamy@aol.com

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:59 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Nancy Tarnai
address: 2773 Cormorant St. Fairbanks AK 99079
907-456-4296

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin,

Do you know this song by Natalie Merchant? You can watch it on YouTube. I think it will have special meaning to you. Thank you and best of luck and congratulations on your new baby.

Wonder

Natalie Merchant

Album: Tigerlily

Doctors have come from distant cities, just to see me
Stand over my bed, disbelieving what they're seeing

1-They say I must be one of the wonders
Of God's own creation
And as far as they see, they can offer
No explanation

Newspapers ask intimate questions, want confessions
They reach into my head to steal, the glory of my story
(repeat 1)

Ooo, I believe, fate, fate smiled
And destiny laughed as she came to my cradle
Know this child will be able
Laughed as my body she lifted
Know this child will be gifted
With love, with patience, and with faith
She'll make her way, she'll make her way

People see me I'm a challenge to your balance
I'm over your heads how I confound you
And astound you
To know I must be one of the wonders
(rpt...1)

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Know this child will not suffer
Laughed as my body she lifted
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ntarnai@alaska.net

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:09 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Dianne Crook
address: 2221 Muldoon Rd Lot 100 Anchorage AK 99504
907-338-1032

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin; In 2006 Alaska was honored and blessed to have you become our Governor, and now its your turn to be blessed with Trig; a special bundle of joy. God knew what He was doing when He gave you and Todd this beautiful angel. You are definitely an inspiration for all of us.

We are praying for you and your family.

Dianne and Richard, Anchorage

rndcrook@gci.net

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:10 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Robert Price
address: 2947 Canyon Drive Grapevine TX 76051
817-896-0572

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor;

A lot longer before you were EVER the honorable governor of Alaska, you were a wonderful and loving mom. You walked into the governor's chair in the middle of one of the worst recent displays of corruption in your party's history in Alaska.

You brought honesty and common sense to a very much desperate Alaska. People aware of and "friends" of Alaska have watched all this. Texas is NOT all that far away, Sarah!

Your UNCOMMON personal courage and application of the proper priorities during this time in your new son's life is an inspiration to every father and mother in our whole land!

The HONESTY you have brought to your state's government, and the priority you have CORRECTLY given to your higher calling as "mother" have earned you the right to be called "AMERICA'S" Governor!

So from all your fans here in TEXAS. . .we are praying for you and your family and are continuing to thank God for you!

May I suggest that you ADD to your CLOSE confidantes, one of your strongest supporters,
Wev Shea!

God Bless. We in the Dallas/Fort Worth area are upholding you and your family in our
prayers. Best of good to you, ma'am.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Price
Grapevine, Texas

bpricel492@msn.com

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Sonja Dalton
address: Cedar Rdg Barrington IL 60010

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on the birth of your new son. And THANK YOU for setting an example of LOVE in accepting him with gratitude, despite his genetic imperfection, rather than destroying his precious life as so many others do. May God bless you and your family in all worthy endeavors!

dcsalgk@yahoo.com

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:24 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Ronald McGraw
address: 1814 Harvard Way Redding CA 96003
5302241418

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor,

I read with great interest an article from the Associated Press carried in our local paper (Record Searchlight, 5 May 2008) regarding the birth of your son, Trig. What caught my attention was your husband's response to the "news" that Trig would have Down Syndrome, "We shouldn't be asking, 'Why us?' We should be saying, 'Well, why not us?'"

When my wife and I learned that our first born, Nancy, had Tuberous Sclerosis (a genetic "condition" causing retardation and disability) when she was four months old, I am afraid that I asked the "Why me?" question many times in the first few months. However, after holding her, caring for her and loving her she soon won my heart. By GOD's grace, the thirty-five years that Nancy has been with us have been filled with joys too many to mention. She has softened this dad's heart; tenderized it to the point that I now see each child as a true gift from GOD; not a mistake, or a tragedy, but rather a gift of profound worth.

Thank you for your openness as you have shared your perspective on being entrusted with one of GOD's special children. In your public position, you have a platform to advocate for all children. I know many will not understand your decision to "keep" the pregnancy. I trust as you continue to live your life openly with the public, many will see the rightness of your decision as they see Trig bring joy to all who know him.

By the way, my wife and I are coming to Alaska for the first time later this month as we

celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary. We are excited.

With great appreciation,

Ronald K. McGraw

(Nancy's dad)

rcmcfam@hotmail.com

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 12:33 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Matthew Reger
address: 540 West Wooster Street Bowling Green OH 43402
419-354-3510

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin -

I recently read the article concerning the birth of your son. My simple message to you is to tell you how much an encouragement you are to me and so many others. Living according one's beliefs is something that should always be celebrated and recognized. Thank you for your testimony to living according to your beliefs.

I hope and pray that your family is blessed through this entire experience of life and family.

Matt Reger

mlreger@verizon.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:48 PM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:22 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Jolene King
address: P.O. Box 1305 Seward AK 99664
907-224-7853

MESSAGE:

Our Dear Governor Palin and Family:

First of all, I would like to say that I'm so proud to have you as our leader. From what I have seen of your actions you truly have Alaska at heart.

Second: Thank you for bringing Trig into the world, we all know you both had a choice...you chose wisely, Trig will show you as he grows. I love to see the pictures of the 3 of you, expressing so much love for one another. I look forward to the day we all get to meet 'OUR' Trig...you see, we Palin-ites take ownership in him because of the special mom he has.

May God continue to bless all of you. And if you ever need a babysitter, you just have to look at these notes from around the world and know...we're there for ya!

Jolene F King

Seward, AK

jolene.king@yahoo.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:47 PM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:31 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Linda Woods
address: P.O. 1325 Girdwood AK 99587
907-783-3151

MESSAGE:

Dear Palin Family,

After reading 250 e-mails on this site there is little I can add in the way of praise or encouragement that hasn't already been said. I am overwhelmed at the support as I am sure are you. Working in the health care industry over 36 years I have been blessed to have taken care of many children with Down Syndrome. My feeling is that God gave them the extra chromosome for a reason. It allows them the tenacity to face the many health problems which frequently accompany this syndrome. It is the chromosome of unconditional love, forgiveness, generosity, sweetness and kindness. It is the chromosome that allows them to look beyond ignorance and prejudice. It is the chromosome that can teach the rest of us compassion and understanding if we pay attention. If only this was what we consider "normal" what a great world this would be.

Trig short changed? Not! Blessed? Most definitely!!!

lwoods@acsalaska.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:43 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:08 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Rod Lauder
address: 303-24 Arden Avenue Winnipeg AK 12345
(204)257-4262

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I work for the Association for Community Living in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. I just want to congratulate you on the birth of your beautiful new baby boy, Trig, and know he will prove to be a wonderful blessing through the years. I read an Associated Press article in which you note that when you look at him, you see perfection. I know many parents with children who also happen to have an extra chromosome who couldn't agree more. Thanks to you and your husband for being such great role models in so many ways!

Sincerely,

Rod Lauder

rlauder@aclwpg.ca

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:39 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 9:38 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Sonja Corazza
address: P.O. Box 1320 Homer AK 99603
907-235-6671

MESSAGE:

Governor Sarah Palin, Many blessings to you and your family today. My family and I live in Homer and my friends and I pray for you and want to encourage you today. We believe your new son is a very special and his birth reveals the hearts of people. Surely Trig is close to the heart of God and so are you and your husband. I pray strength and courage and joy for you today and may you walk in that peace that passes understanding. Love in Christ, Sonja

cor@xyz.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:35 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 9:14 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Judith Salo
address: 4510 Kenaitze Court Kenai AK 99611
907-283-7764

MESSAGE:

What a beautiful baby. Best wishes to you and your whole family as you adjust to the changes this blessing brings you. Thanks for the energy, optimism, and common sense you demonstrate in your leadership of Alaska and your family. What a good role model!

salo@gci.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:35 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 9:01 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Barb Tousley
address: 11401 Podunk Ave NE Greenville MI 48838
616-754-4935

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin, Congratulations on the birth of your precious baby! You are truly blessed! I will tell you from my own experience of a Mom of a special child, you have an adventure of a lifetime ahead of you. Before my Mary was born, I used to think the hardest thing in the world would be to have a special needs child--but not so! There is a whole other world that will open for you, and you will find such joy you cannot imagine in your son. I will be praying for you and your family. Take care, Barbara Tousley

bztous@hotmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:34 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 8:43 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Patricia Koch
address: 1350 Virginia Ct. Anchorage AK 99501
907-277-1023

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin,

I just read the article about you and your baby in this morning's Anchorage Daily News. I am a retired teacher and counselor in Alaska and I have a niece with a Down Syndrome baby, so I have learned a lot about the special needs of these children. I am also a mother and a grandmother.

These are my qualifications to offer assistance to you if you need help with child care, extra time with physical therapy for Trig, or just the holding and love that they need. The first year is crucial in giving all babies a good start in life, and these children need that much more.

I can't keep up with whether you are in Anchorage or Juneau, but if your office is primarily in Anchorage and there is a group to do this, I would welcome the opportunity to spend some time each week helping in any way needed. (But I can't run the state!)

Sincerely,

Patricia Koch

patricia1023@gmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:34 PM
To: Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Seniors

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 8:41 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Mr. Brian Roos
address: 1140 Pickering Drive Fairbanks AK 99709
907-451-1167

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

Congratulations on the addition of your son Trig to the family!

We are writing to ask for your support for the funding request being made for Fairbanks Counseling and Adoption. Sharon and I are in the process of adoption. FCA is the only agency in the interior to help us thru the decision making process, complete the required home studies, and get us prepared for our eventual adoption. Without FCA, we likely would not have even started the process. The staff at FCA are professional and great to work with.

We also volunteer a significant amount of our personal time to support FCA efforts. Because of the impact FCA makes in the community, helping is easy.

Thanks again for your consideration,

Brian and Sharon Roos
Fairbanks

roosbk@acsalaska.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 1:33 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 8:39 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Audrey Moran
address: 9356 River Pine Road Jacksonville FL 32257
904-394-8090

MESSAGE:

Congratulations! I read in our local paper your commitment to running the State of Alaska along with having a very full family life. Your leadership is exemplary and you are a wonderful role model for women everywhere! By the way, I have a 21 year old niece with Down Syndrome who is attending a special program at the University of North Florida and is moving into her own apartment on Sunday. She is a very important part of our family. All the best, Audrey

audreymoran@tscjax.org

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:57 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 7:50 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Darby Wiggins
address: 5802 N 16th St. #56 Arlington VA 22205

MESSAGE:

Gov. Palin - Congrats on your new baby. He is beautiful. It is good to see Godly families such as yours coming together during difficult times. It is an encouragement to see you and your family living out your faith in such a public way. Warm Regards, The Wiggins

dwiggin3@gmu.edu

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:57 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 7:23 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Kenneth Kirby
address: 523 S. 33rd Street Billings MT 59101
406-256-5415

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I wish to extend to you, your husband and your children my heartfelt congratulations at the birth of your son. I also want to express to you my admiration and thankfulness for your stand for the dignity of all life. As the parent of a disabled child I understand some of the challenges that you will face, but I will be praying for you to experience the loving grace and power of God in you lives.

May God richly bless you and your family,

Pastor Ken Kirby
Fellowship Baptist Church
423 Westgate Drive
Billings, MT 59101
406-256-5415
fellowshipbaptist@bresnan.net

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Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:56 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 6:51 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Bobby Moore
address: 160 Heathridge Drive Sharpsburg GA 30277

MESSAGE:

Congratulations, Governor Palin, on the birth of Trig. My dad, Bob Moore from Wasilla, told me about it before I read Dr Al Mohler's blog about it. Here's the article.
http://www.albertmohler.com/blog_read.php?id=1144 It's very encouraging. Dad was glad to have met with you a couple of weeks ago. We talk about many things, but the first thing he mentioned to me was the birth of your new son.

Bobby Moore
Sharpsburg, GA.

rtroymoore@gmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:56 AM
To: Mason; Janice L. (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 6:44 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Mark Dickinson
address: 621 W Home Ave Hartsville SC 29550

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor:

I recently read in a blog by Dr. Albert Mohler of your new born son, Trig Paxson Van Palin. Thank you for standing firm on his right to live and thank you for the commitment that you and your family have made to raise this special child. May God's blessing follow you and your family.

Sincerely,

Mark Dickinson

im4band@yahoo.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:55 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 6:12 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mark Tremaine
address: 4805 N Centennial Rd Nickerson KS 67561

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin:

Although I am not one of your constituents, I saw a little news blip on Yahoo that you recently welcomed a new child into your home. I know that Trig will be an amazing blessing to you and your family. In 1998, my wife and I welcomed our third child, a son, who also has Down Syndrome.

Jared has been, and every day continues to be, an amazing blessing to our family!
Congratulations!!

Mark Tremaine
Nickerson, Kansas

thee.farm@gmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:55 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 5:51 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. John Fischer
address: 6228 Sawgrass Drive Bartlesville OK 74006

MESSAGE:

Congrats to the Palin family on the birth of Trig; what a beautiful baby. Thank you Governor for being a true leader in the life movement...we need more leaders like you, that have a moral conscience and use it for guidance in their public office, rather than their own self-interest. God bless you and your family.

thefischers@cableone.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:55 AM
To: Wilken; Jessica M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 5:25 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Michele Simmons
address: PO Box 206 Tok AK 99780

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin:

First of all, may I wish you and your husband my most humble congratulations on the birth of your beautiful new child!! What a sweet, precious gift!

Secondly, I feel the need to voice some fears; not just my own, but those of many I speak with on a daily basis. There is a great deal of fear amongst the common folk here in Alaska when it comes to food, gas, electricity and heat. Everything is increasing in price...the sad part is wages aren't increasing to meet the costs. Alaskans are a subsistence people but that can only go so far. My husband and I are very fortunate in many ways, as are many others we know. However, unless things change immediately, I fear what the consequences may be.

I do not pretend to know all of the answers to these pressing issues. What I do know is you have a very large state of people dependant upon you for answers. Again, as an ordinary citizen, I do NOT like the discussions/arguments/debates I am hearing amongst desperate folks in this state. Times are very hard and we need some answers.

Governor, if ever there was a time or place to address the state of Alaska and provide some reassurance, this is the time!

Regards,

Michele Simmons

michele.s.simmons@gmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:54 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 5:23 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Matthew Herron
address: 1027 McRae Hill Rd. Traverse City MI 49684
231-946-6938

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I just learned the details of the birth of your son, Trig. I want to tell you how encouraged and excited I am for you as you bring another precious life into your family. I am a pastor in Northern Michigan with 3 young children, who loves life and believes that every person is made in the image of God. Thank you for your love for children and your love for life just as God loves life and children. Your actions remind me of Ephesians 5:1-2 "Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." Awesome - totally awesome. Please know that you are having an impact far beyond the borders of Alaska. May God bless you and your family!

mherron@ibctc.org

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:54 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 5:09 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Loi Tran
address: 83 Jerilderie Drive Berwick OS 3806

MESSAGE:

Congratulation on the birth of Trig Paxson Van Palin. May the Lord bless you for valuing his gift of Trig. I heard about your story from Dr Albert Mohler's blog (www.albertmohler.com).

ltran@maranatha.vic.edu.au

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:54 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 5:04 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. carol woloson
address: 575 hathaway circle lake forest IL 60045
847 234 7057

MESSAGE:

Dear Sarah,

Our son and daughter in law gave birth to Isabelle nine years ago and she has Down syndrome.....she is a gift to all. Eliza has written a book called "My Friend Isabelle" and it actually became a best seller in Colorado where the family lives. I want to send you a copy of the book.....please advise me on the proper address you would like me to use.

Our son's name is Todd and Isabelle was born in April.

Our best to you and your family

Carol Woloson

lfcarol@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:54 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 4:46 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Rae Layne
address: 1921 Reaves Drive Raleigh NC 27608

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

You and your family are a joy to read about, especially in today's world, that seems to hold life so cheaply. No doubt your precious TRIG has already positively affected many lives, born and unborn!

Today we go to the polls to cast a vote for a potential leader of America. I could only wish you were one of the choices! I would consider it an honor to cast a ballot for you.

Shalom & blessings,

Rae

raelayne@earthlink.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:53 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 4:35 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Andrew Spencer
address: 155 Two Hitch Rd Goose Creek SC 29445

MESSAGE:

Madam Governor,

I am pleased to see someone living out their pro-life values publicly. May God bless you.
I will pray for you as you raise Trig.

Very respectfully,

A. Spencer

navyswim01@hotmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:52 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 3:26 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Lorraine Nilson
address: 155 W. Palm Blvd Montgomery TX 77356

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on your new baby! We heard about your precious gift and wanted you to know how happy we are for you and your family. In a world where some people would have chosen a different course, we are so happy to hear of a woman who chooses the gift of life over what others might erroneously consider a burden. Happy Mother's Day. Lorraine Nilson

lorrainenilson@gmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:47 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Budget

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 10:53 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Doug Coon
address: 3630 Hollyberry Circle Anchorage AK 99507
907-344-7236

MESSAGE:

Hello Governor Palin,

Please support the Alaska Zoo!

Congrats on your new addition!

Your doing a great job and we think highly of you and your family and wish you and Todd the best!

Doug and Britt Coon :)

kuner@gci.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:29 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 8:11 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Ruth Missik
address: 39034 Strawberry Court #3 Kenai AK 99611
907-252-8116

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

Congratulations on the birth of your son. I had just read my monthly issue of the Catholic Anchor to learn that your baby has Down's syndrom. May God bless your family for bringing him into the world. I can not say it will be easy for you, especially with your high-profile job during his early years. But I will pray that you two parents receive all of the support that you need to give him a good start in life. I can already see that you have plenty of love in your hearts for your family and that will always prevail. Keep up the good work!

knowledgeisstrength@hotmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:29 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

Sorry, I didn't mean to send the last email.

Donna

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 7:31 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Ms. Ms. Lindsey Lucas
address: 225 Highgate Cir Greer SC 29650

MESSAGE:

We understand that you have been discussed as a possible choice for the Vice Presidency.

As people who support the democratic process and care about protecting our wildlife for future generations, we want you to know that we don't believe people in our states would vote for you for any office if they knew your record on these issues.

It is troubling that you are now working to deny more than 50,000 Alaskans a vote on aerial killing of wolves and bears with legislation now being considered in the Alaska legislature.

It is deeply concerning that last year you proposed using helicopters and a \$150 bounty to spur wolf killing in specified management zones -- despite strong scientific opposition to the state's aerial hunting program and the lack of reliable information on how many wolves actually exist in these areas.

And it is baffling that you appointed your high school basketball coach -- a man with no relevant experience -- to the state's board of game, and have condoned a \$400,000 state-funded propaganda campaign to convince Alaskans that wildlife biologists from around the world are wrong when they say that the state's shooting of wolves and bears from airplanes is scientifically unfounded.

We sincerely hope that you will recognize the importance of respecting the democratic process and protecting Alaska's wildlife in the future. But until then, you will not have the support of those of us who care about the democratic process and protecting our natural treasures for future generations.

zipzap11@hotmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:25 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 7:14 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Jackee Goforth
address: 2050 S Magic Way Spc 132 Henderson NV 89002

MESSAGE:

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jackymoe44@earthlink.net

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:22 AM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); McBride; Rhonda (GOV); Monegan; Walt C (DPS); Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Cc: Glass; John D (DPS); Holloway; Audie E (DPS); Byrne; Cassandra M (DPS); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Togiak

Thank you Randy. We met on this and it sounds like we're all on the same page here. Thanks
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-----Original Message-----

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 06 May 2008 11:00:58

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "McBride, Rhonda (GOV)" <rhonda.mcbride@alaska.gov>, "Monegan, Walt C (DPS)" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>, "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Glass, John D (DPS)" <john.glass@alaska.gov>, "Holloway, Audie E (DPS)" <audie.holloway@alaska.gov>, "Byrne, Cassandra M (DPS)" <cassandra.byrne@alaska.gov>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Togiak

Governor:

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Randy

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tue 5/6/2008 9:58 AM

To: McBride, Rhonda (GOV); Monegan, Walt C (DPS); Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Cc: Glass, John D (DPS); Holloway, Audie E (DPS); Byrne, Cassandra M (DPS); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Re: Togiak

15 minutes from now. Thanks

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From: "McBride, Rhonda (GOV)" <rhonda.mcbride@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 06 May 2008 09:56:30

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Monegan, Walt C (DPS)" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>, "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Glass, John D (DPS)" <john.glass@alaska.gov>, "Holloway, Audie E (DPS)" <audie.holloway@alaska.gov>, "Byrne, Cassandra M (DPS)" <cassandra.byrne@alaska.gov>, "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Togiak

I'm in my office. Let me know when you plan to meet.

Thanks,

Rhonda

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com <mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 9:41 AM

To: Monegan, Walt C (DPS); Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Cc: McBride, Rhonda (GOV); Glass, John D (DPS); Holloway, Audie E (DPS); Byrne, Cassandra M (DPS); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: Re: Togiak

Do you have a few minutes this morn so we can further discuss? I'll be in office in 20 min.

Rhonda- are you available also?

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Monegan, Walt C (DPS)" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 06 May 2008 09:34:25

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Cc: "McBride, Rhonda (GOV)" <rhonda.mcbride@alaska.gov>, "Glass, John D (DPS)" <john.glass@alaska.gov>, "Holloway, Audie E (DPS)" <audie.holloway@alaska.gov>, "Byrne, Cassandra M (DPS)" <cassandra.byrne@alaska.gov>, "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

Subject: Togiak

A quick brief of the Togiak's Tribal Court's Banishment order of their City Police Chief -

Last week, I spoke to the clerk to the Tribal Council, Anna Ferguson, who wanted me and AST to be there when they banished Police Chief Aaron Parker. I advised I could not and that AST does not have any authority to carry out a banishment order from a tribal council. She paused and reflected on that but Rhonda McBride believes that they still intend to carry out that order on 5/8.

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We will update you if we learn more and if you have concerns please call me at Privileged.

-Walt

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) (governor@alaska.gov)
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:25 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 6:36 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Jodi Rinehart
address: 3456 Makley Drive Lima OH 45805
419-296-6784

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Sarah Palin,

In a recent article that appeared in the Lima News Sunday May 4th, I was encouraged with your stance for life, your values of family and your commitment to your state. I am a Transition To Work Coordinator in the Lima City Schools and work with students with disabilities. As a mother, I want to applaud you for your decision. As a Christian, I want to encourage you, as I read the article my heart leaped at the way you responded to the news of your child.

I simply wanted to send you this email to encourage you in your balance of family, career and care for the State of Alaska. In the article it mentioned that your name had surfaced as a potential Vice Presidential Running Mate for John McCain. If indeed you were given the nomination, you would have my support. Please know that your work is being noticed across this great nation. Please continue to stand for life, encouraging and speaking out for the families of our society.

May God continue to bless and keep you.

Sincerely,

Jodi Rinehart

erinehart1@woh.rr.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:20 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); RANDY RUARO
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Lew Williams death / Request for flags at half-staff

Yes to the letter and flag that we could send.

Mike- is there any expectation that flags would be lowered in this case? Sounds like he wasn't a legislator.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 06 May 2008 11:19:41

To: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>, RANDY RUARO <rpruaro@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Lew Williams death / Request for flags at half-staff

May I suggest a letter of condolence and send a flag that has been flown over the Capitol building?

-----Original Message-----

From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 7:54 AM

To: RANDY RUARO

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp

Subject: RE: Lew Williams death / Request for flags at half-staff

Thanks Randy!

-----Original Message-----

From: RANDY RUARO [mailto:rpruaro@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 5:23 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp
Subject: Lew Williams death / Request for flags at half-staff

Mike:

Lew Williams did pass away on Saturday from cancer.
He was 83. The obituary in the ADN today (Page A-7)
mentions that he served on local school boards and
various state boards but does not mention that he was
ever elected as a legislator and I do not believe that
he was.

Mayor Weinstein called me last night to request that
we consider flying the flags at half-staff. I told him
I would pass on the request.

Randy

I will be working out of the Department of Law offices
today and meeting with Talis. My cell is Privileged

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:20 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 5:16 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Dennis Davis
address: 165 American Way Jefferson NC 28644
336-982-9824

MESSAGE:

Dear Mrs. Palin,

To be short and to the point, I like your views and the stance you have taken on issues important to me, I believe that you are the only hope for the next presidential election not to go Democratic, My thinking is that you could inherit alot of the youthful enthusiasm that has been stirred up by Obama, you seem to have the ability to get things done. I sincerely hope that John McCain can see what you could bring to the table and picks you as his running mate. If he doesn't, thanks anyway for standing up for what America should be. I am actually a registered democrat, but can't vote that way anymore. Best wishes to you and your family. Thank you.

dennis.davis@aev.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:20 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 5:06 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Nicole Gallagher
address: 13620 82nd Street Oskaloosa KS 66066
7858632898

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on your baby boy, Trig. He's a precious bundle. We were blessed with a special baby 4 years ago, Thomas. He has Down Syndrome too and is the joy of our family.

God Bless

James and Nicole Gallagher

gallagherfarm@gmail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:19 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 4:39 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. jack libassi
address: 1536 Ricasoli dr Rio Rancho NM 87124
505-803-5573

MESSAGE:

Please, Please, Please, petition for the post of VP of the United States.

onin2golf@hotmail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:19 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Education

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 4:20 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Education

Web mail from: Elizabeth Wood
address: 1290 La Jolla Rancho Rd. la jolla CA 92037
858 459-7248

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,
You and your family are a Beautiful witness in today's secular and selfish society.
May God Bless you abundantly.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Wood
p.s. this world needs more civil servants like you!!

trvimama@aol.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:17 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Fagerstrom; Erika (GOV)
Subject: FW: Education

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 3:26 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Education

Web mail from: Mr. Trevor Daniels
address: PO Box 20733 Juneau AK 99802
907-523-0695

MESSAGE:

This note is from my son Trevor. He met you when you visited Gastineau School and the Headstart Program. I also met you that day when I was covering phones in the office.

Dear Ms. Palin,

My name is Trevor Renee Daniels, I am 4 years old and goto Preschool. Can my class visit your house (the Governor Mansion) and have a playdate with your daughter? What do you do? (as Governor). Why do you work in the big building? Does your daughter help you? I help my mommy at school. I want to be a pilot, scubba diver, firefighter and construction person when I grow up. Thank you. Rebecca

merlynbol@aol.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:16 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 3:13 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Paul/Noreen Pignataro
address: 10 Virginia Court Lockport NY 14094
7164343528

MESSAGE:

Dear Palin Family:

Congratulations on the birth Trig. As grandparents of a Down Syndrome child we can tell you that our life is enriched by our grandson Aidan. We look forward to spending our time with him and see his love of life and continuing growth. God truly blessed us with him. He has shown us an inner strength to never give up. As they say "Blessings are something we are given daily and blossom when nurtured." The best things in life to come us unexpectedly. God bless you and you family.

Paul and Noreen--Lockport, New York

pnpignataro@roadrunner.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:12 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 12:15 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Joseph P. Nolan
address: 66 Bateswood Road Waterbury CT 06706
203.596.2938

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin and family,

I just read a story in the Boston Pilot Catholic newspaper about the birth of you new son. My daughter, Martha, was born 28 years ago with Down syndrome. She has done very well. You are probably frightened by what the future will bring for you and your son. There is no need to be overly nervous. Things will work out for you and your family. Down syndrome is probably the most studied aspect of special education.

The idea that Down syndrome children bring joy is really true. Make sure he is included with everything that the rest of your kids do.

I respect the choice that you and your husband have made. I know from experience that you will be pleasantly rewarded and surprised (in the good sense) by the choice you have made.

Sincerely,

Joe Nolan

nolan1789@sbcglobal.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:11 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 11:48 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Bill Gillespie
address: 12604 Oak Knoll Road #1 Poway CA 92064

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin:

It was so encouraging to read in yesterday's paper about your son Trig - and your steadfast decision to "keep" him. My guess is you and I are possibly on different ends of the political spectrum; but life (in this case, Trig's) transcends such differences by an infinite gulf - and it is indeed of infinite value, Down's or not. By saying this I realize I'm preaching to the choir. But thank you for your decision. Ages hence Trig - in whatever way he can - will express his gratefulness to his mom and dad. And you will richly deserve his thanks.

Blessings upon you and your family, and especially upon Trig -

Bill Gillespie

swampfoxfire@sbcglobal.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:09 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 11:29 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Margueritte Lipsey
address: 37537 Janice Circle Selbyville DE 19975

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. and Mr. Palin, I just finished reading the AP article titled "Alaska governor eager to rear child". It is so encouraging to me to know that someone in politics has ethics similar to mine. I do not have a special needs child but I have friends who do. The most precious of these children calls himself Duke. He is the sweetest child I know. He is very personable around other people and just a delight to know. (I have 13 grandchildren to compare him to.) I know at times it will be tough but God only gives those who need the most love to parents who can provide it. May God bless you and your beautiful family. I will pray that Trig will be like Duke and that you and your's will be blessed to have her in your family. Sincerely, Margueritte Lipsey

P.S. I visited your beautiful state a year ago last fall and fell in love with it. I hope to be able to see more of it in the future.

l.lipsey@comcast.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:04 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 11:11 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Alison Wassmann
address: 960 Union Drive Fairbanks AK 99709
9074571628

MESSAGE:

Dear Sarah,

Our family in Fairbanks commends you and your family for everything that you've had to go through regarding the birth of your new baby. Hugs and kisses all around, as you well know, we all face challenges at every turn. Showing Alaskans that you and we can stand up and face challenges brings tears to our eyes.

When one of our worst fears hit us, cancer, we said what your husband stated, "why us?", well, "Why not us?, what makes us so special, that this would not happen to us?". Todd is a great husband. You are a great wife, mother and governor and we are proud that you have made us proud!!

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wassmann

pinecone@acsalaska.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:18 AM
To: Benedict, Nichole M (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Means test

From: edandie@gci.net [mailto:edandie@gci.net]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 3:33 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Fw: Means test

Governor Sarah Palin
Your Honor,

We would first like to congratulate you and your entire family on the birth of your handsome new son Trig.

The loss of the longevity bonus has been devastating to us as well as our old friends. To have abruptly discontinued this program was unfair and unjust to those it was originally intended for.

Those in the legislature who refer to Mr. Hickie and others who live on the hillside as not deserving are in error, in that these are the very people who contributed the most in building this great state.

There is no doubt that those of greater wealth also contribute many dollars to charity.

Most of us considered this bonus as part of our retirement program, it's cancellation caused us great hardship, the senior program which you chose to continue put us in financial jeopardy due to the means test. If the reinstatement of the bonus is impossible, then perhaps the means test should be increased to \$40,000.00 or more. This would keep your promise to seniors in need.

A promise made should be a promise kept.

"HAPPY MOTHERS DAY"

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:12 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: UPDATED*NR: Current State of Businesses Owned by Women of Color Highlighted at Research Symposium

From: CFWBR Info [mailto:info@cfwbr.org]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 12:31 PM
To: CFWBR Info
Subject: UPDATED*NR: Current State of Businesses Owned by Women of Color Highlighted at Research Symposium



Embargoed date: May 7, 2008

**Current State of Businesses Owned by Women of Color
Highlighted at Research Symposium**

10/15/2009

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Washington, DC – The dynamics of the intersection of race and gender were the focus of research findings released today at the national symposium *Research to Roadmap: Accelerating the Growth of Businesses Owned by Women of Color* convened by the Center for Women's Business Research.

The research is the first release of the results of a multi-year study conducted by the Center for Women's Business Research in partnership with Babson College exploring the impact of race and gender on the growth of businesses owned by women who are African-American, Asian, Latina and other ethnicities. Women of color are starting businesses at rates three to five times faster than all other businesses. However, once in business, their growth lags behind all other firms.

"It is important that as a country and a business community, we learn how to support the growth of this dynamic sector of women business owners," said Margaret A. Smith, chair, Center for Women's Business Research. "This research encourages action and helps public- and private-sector policy makers formulate well grounded decisions to increase opportunities for the nearly two million businesses owned by women of color."

The lead sponsors for this first of its kind project are Sam's Club and Wachovia Corporation.

The research found that being a business owner who is a woman of color can evoke misperceptions about business capacity, result in lessened access to capital for business growth, create the challenge of balancing the expectations and demands of running a business and being part of a diverse culture, and increase the difficulty of attracting top talent. The research also pointed out that many women business owners of color have a double bottom line. They work to give back to their communities as well as for profits.

The top business operations issues -- human resources; cash flow and access to capital; marketing competencies; and access to decision makers and potential strategic partners -- become more challenging because of the factors of race and gender.

Businesses owned by women of color are a substantial economic force. The Center for Women's Business Research's biennial update of the number, revenues and employment trends for these businesses was released at the symposium. The findings, underwritten by Wells Fargo, showed strong growth. Between 2002 and 2008, the number of such firms increased by 32 percent, their revenues by a dramatic 48 percent,

and their employment by 27 percent. The Center estimates that as of 2008 there are 1.9 million firms owned by women of color, employing 1.2 million workers and bringing in \$165 billion in revenues. Women of color comprise 26 percent of all women-owned firms.

"Even before I came on the Board of the Center for Women's Business Research, I followed this nonprofit research institute closely – as it brought credibility and visibility to women business owners as an economic force," said Sheila Brooks, national spokesperson, *Accelerating the Growth of Businesses Owned by Women of Color*.

"Now, once again, the Center has shown the courage to take on an issue that no one else was willing to discuss openly – the issues specific to women business owners who are of diverse races and ethnicities."

Five one-day research forums were held across the country. Babson College conducted two case studies on women business owners of color and provided educational content at all forums. As part of the research methodology, participants identified obstacles at the personal, community, and national levels. They prepared action plans on three of their obstacles. The Center tracks the progress of their plans for one year following each forum. The final report including a performance evaluation for these plans will be released in early 2009.

A prestigious consortium of corporate and association sponsors funded *Accelerating the Growth and Success of Businesses Owned by Women of Color*. Over the time frame of the study a total of fifteen corporations invested in the research. In 2008, the corporate sponsors are: Sam's Club; Wachovia Corporation; Wells Fargo Bank; Verizon; OPEN from American Express; Time Warner; UPS Capital, MasterCard; American Airlines; Ernst & Young; United States Postal Service (USPS); and PepsiCo.

Leading women business owner organizations and other non-profit organizations have recognized the importance of this research to the women's entrepreneurship community and have taken a sponsorship position. They are: the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO); National Women's Business Council (NWBC); Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP); Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC); Women Presidents' Organization (WPO); and Women's Leadership Exchange (WLE).

The study has many implications for the public sector, corporations, national policy makers, and for women business owners themselves.

A partial list of implications include:

Corporations

- Diversity must be systemic: all races and ethnicities must be represented at all levels of leadership and decision-making.
- Build relationships specifically with minority women, not as a sub-group of either women or minority groups.
- Create and support affinity groups of minority women business owners.
- Measure your progress to make it possible to modify if necessary.

Associations and Educators

- All races and ethnicities must be represented at all levels of leadership, both volunteer and paid leadership.
- Create affinity groups specifically for women of diverse races and ethnicities.

Public Policy Makers

- Require collection and public reporting of data on lending by race, gender and race/gender.
- Continue support and expansion of women's business centers.

Women Business Owners

- Expand networks outside your immediate community.
- Support one another – create and sustain affinity groups.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:03 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 10:25 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Mary Mobley
address: 21722 Ridgewood Dr. Spring TX 77388

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin:

Congratulaions on the birth of your new baby boy.

My husband and I see you as an example for all American mothers. You show the nation what pro-life motherhood is all about. Thank you for acknowledging that children are a blessing from God.

Best of luck and happiness with your family and with the beautiful state of Alaska. We enjoyed visiting your state last year and hope to return in the future.

Mike & Mary Mobley

Spring, Texas

shellsaver319@yahoo.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:02 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 10:16 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Judith Herndon
address: 106 Overlook Road Staunton VA 24401

MESSAGE:

Just wanted to add my congratulations on the birth of your little boy. He was born on my birthday, and I can tell you it is a great day to be born! Springtime, new beginnings, and sometimes Easter will fall on his birthday.

My dear friend Cathleen has a little girl, almost 2 now, who has Down syndrome. Lilly is an incredible child, warm, loving, deeply interested in her world, and a delight to have around. Through Cathleen and Lilly I've learned a lot about the Down syndrome world, and it is truly a happy and positive place. Trig is lucky to have parents who understand that he is indeed a lovely gift. Enjoy!

qohee@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:02 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 10:12 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Amy LaPoe
address: 816 Cardiff Rd Naperville IL 60565
630-416-7686

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on the birth of your new son. My first son, Spencer was born almost 18 years ago with Down syndrome. I am the Central District Disabled Hockey Rep for USA Hockey and have started the largest special needs hockey team in the US, the Tomahawks, in Chicago Illinois. Spencer has played hockey since he was 6 yrs old. I know that as a new mom with a baby with Down syndrome you are bombarded with information. From a veteran mom of a son with Down syndrome, there is no limit as to what your son will be able to do. Once again, congratulations on the birth of your health beautiful baby boy!

Sincerely,

Amy LaPoe

adpoe@wowway.com

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Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 9:17 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Paula Byler
address: 8543 Maurer RD Apple Creek OH 44606
3304643157

MESSAGE:

Hello! I just read about you having a son with Down Syndrome. I have a son with Downs named Craig who is 23. It is important to put him in the regular preschools and regular elementary school when he is older-- my son did very well and a friend put her Downs daughter in the "special school" and she never learned to read or write. When he was little they told me it was pointless to teach him the alphabet and said he would never read or write. I worked with him alot, and put him in the normal school; at the end of kindergarten he could read his favorite book GO DOG GO and he could write his first name. My son doesnt speak as well as others but can be understood and he is very loving and he loves music. These kids love music and Craig loves to sing karaoke! Don't let anyone ever tell you your son cant do something--- he can do anything that anyone else can do. My son graduated from the same high school my daughter is graduating from this year. He graduated last year right after he turned

22, so it took a bit longer. He was in special classes but also mainstreamed for some classes. Your son will need you to work with him alot; (repetition is what they need) and he should be in infant stimulation classes; We had flashcards I made with pictures and we would work on him saying what it was everyday; Now Craig has a job in a Workshop for the handicapped and although he can be stubborn, he does pretty well. His favorite thing is watching Disney movies and going on trips, especially to Disney World where he is going on May 30.

He has it counted down on the calendar and tells me a million times a day how many days it is til we go to Florida. I just was hoping to encourage you and to tell you that you should never treat him as "retarded"-- he can do anything any other kid can do if you work with him--some people who dont work with their kids then those kids never learn to talk-- when he looks at a dog, tell him dog etc. and he will learn to talk! Talk to him all the time and identify things. I wanted to send a picture of Craig but I cant on this form... God has given you a very special child and he is a wonderful blessing!!

paulabyler@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:00 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 9:15 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Carmen Pascual-McKissack
address: 9322 Idyl Place Lakeside CA 92040

MESSAGE:

Hello Governor. I just wanted to tell you that your story about your baby is so beautiful, and inspiring. Thank you for letting the world know that NO CHILD should be unloved or unwelcomed into this world. God bless you.

carmen@excelmath.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:58 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 7:48 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Jim Laycock
address: 7000 Montrose Road Birmingham AL 35242
205-981-9774

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin:

I just wanted to let you know that I am pulling for you to be Sen John McCain's Vice Presidential choice for the 2008 Election.

I am exceedingly impressed by your work, family traits and proven professionalism in governing the Great State of Alaska. You would be ideal as the next Vice President of the United States. Your high morals, can-do spirit and great love for America are exactly what we need in Washington.

As a 26 year Air Force retiree, I am also very proud to see your son enlist in the US Army. May God bless the young man and protect him as he goes in to harm's way.

Continued good fortunes as you serve as Governor and hopefully one day soon you will join Sen McCain as our White House team leading America to an ever higher plateau of excellence!

Very Respectfully,

Jim Laycock

b210@bellsouth.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:58 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 7:33 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: thomas cuzzens
address: 3180 centre park blvd winston salem NC 27107
336-771-8082

MESSAGE:

First of all allow me to say that you are doing a great job for the state of Alaska. I know you don't have a lot of free time so I will keep this short. I recently read an article about you and your new family addition in our local paper. Our granddaughter also has D.S. she will be 10 yrs old this month and she is just a darling to be with. I would not have missed knowing her kind soul for anything this world has to offer. She has been in several special ed. classes at school and is doing great, she can count to 100 and spell her name. She can also speak clearly using sentences. I wish you and your family as much joy as we have been blessed with. Again Great Job Performance in your position. Want to move to NC? We could use you!

Thomas Cuzzens

Security Coordinator/EMT-I/COHC-76159

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thomas.cuzzens@corning.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:55 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 6:51 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Blake Fulenwider
address: 958 Caballo Abilene TX 79602
3252015302

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

As a parent of a 2 year old with Down's syndrome, I want to express my heartfelt congratulations on the birth of your special son. I remember all of the reservations and fears that my wife and I had the first days of his life. How long could he live? How would people treat him? Could he ever live on his own? We had a lot to learn. There is a real mourning process to go through because regardless of how much you love him, he wasn't what you planned. We realized that all of these answers would come in time, but none were as dyer as we thought. Our mission was to get him home and get him healthy.

After 2 years of learning, physical and speech therapy, and heart surgery to repair a defect (he is the picture of health today), Archer continues to be a great joy in our lives. He IS much more work than our other 2 children but it is a labor of love, NOT a burden. He has changed our livss in ways we would have never predicted. He has made me a better, kinder, more tolerant man--I was the type of kid that would make fun of children like him. My children have benefitted in ways that are indescribable. I know they will never act as I did as a child. I know they will defend the weakest among them. In short, Archer is a celebrity in Abilene, Texas. He brings joy to everyone that comes in contact with him.

I know now that these children are put here for a specific reason by God. It is so evident to me that His hand is at work when I look at their faces and see all of the similarities. Children and adults with Down's syndrome look like brothers and sisters and react that way when meeting for the first time. How could that NOT be by design. You and your family are truly blessed to have the privilege of raising this child.

I am sure that you have been bombarded with email and calls from people like my family and me. I want to encourage you to seek council in the Down's community--it is a wonderful and helpful one. What ever feelings or concerns you and your family have had, others have had the same ones and you all are not alone.

You are beginning a most rewarding journey that will be filled with challenges, but mostly joy. I always took for granted that our kids would learn to walk and talk. Archer has shown me what hard work it really is. All of these milestones aren't merely footnotes in his life, they are truly accomplishments that are worthy of celebration. Rest assured that your boy will make them also with your help. But we learned that they do it on their timeline, not ours and so will you.

Please feel free to call or email my wife Dulcey (dulceyf@suddenlink.net 325.201.5301). She is an amazing woman and has dedicated her life to helping Archer develop.

Again, congratulations on the birth of your son. I wouldn't trade or change my boy for anything, and I'm sure you feel the same way.

Warm Regards,

Blake Fulenwider

Abilene, Texas

blake@blakecdj.com

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:55 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 5:58 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Kari MacGregor
address: 8129 Bridge Road Cedarburg WI 53012
262-377-5624

MESSAGE:

Hello, I just read an article in the Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel about the birth of your son. I have a 5 year old son with Down syndrome. Most moms I read about dedicate themselves to their child and become a stay at home mom. I enjoyed reading about a mom who continued her career. I think it is great that you treat this child's birth the same as your others. Thank you for being such a strong role model.

Kari.MacGregor@ch2m.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:55 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 5:29 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Benjamin Strong
address: 265 White Plains Road Trumbull CT 06611
203 416-9166

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

Congratulations on the birth of you son. As a father of a four year old son with Down Syndrome I know the challenges and joys you face. As a fellow Republican I applaud your willingness to recognize the value in every life.

While you and your husband may be going through a host of emotions know that there are many of us who have begun paving the way for new families like yours.

My wife and I will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers. Welcome to a very exclusive group! Your son has limitless potential.

Again, Congratulations.

Respectfully,

Benjamin Strong

benjamin.m.strong@uscg.mil

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:49 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 7:56 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Shellie Milne
address: 1741 Dehesa Rd El Cajon CA 92019
619 454 4417

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

Congratulations on the birth of Trig and remember that you are soooo lucky!! We have 6 children, with our 5th one, like your family, being Down Syndrome. We didn't find out until his birth (several hours afterwards, in fact) because our testing didn't throw the signs -- I found out first, then had to wait until morning to tell my husband -- but the realization, then the small adjustment came quickly, and it has been amazing ever since. There will be trials -- and I hope the medical ones will be non existent or minimal for Trig -- but it is so much fun finding out what they CAN do -- My hardest adjustment has been not from our son, Sebastian (who is now 4), but has been from the people around me -- If I have to hear one more person say "I'm sorry" when they look at him -- I think I'll scream -- but my standard answer has become "yes, I am sorry for you that you'll never have the joy of having a Down Syndrome individual in your home and I get to hog all the fun". My other chil

dren are 17, 14, 6, 5 and 2 and, as my older children will tell you, Sebastian is no different from their other siblings and is as much of a pest as the rest of them. Embrace this time and enjoy your newborn -- the doctors told me I would have a "baby" for at least 2x as long as normal because of the slow rate that they develop -- well, Seb crawled at 8 mos and walked at 12 mos and has been on the run ever since -- so don't let anyone tell you what Trig will accomplish -- except for Trig. You must be an amazing mother to be entrusted with such a tremendous spirit and individual -- Not everyone can do it - but for those of us who do -- the rewards are infinite.

Thank you for your service to our Nation and being such an example of strength and values.

Respectfully,

Shellie Milne

SMilne5@cox.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2006 10:47 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 7:09 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Jennifer Varanini Sanchez
address: 1633 41st Street Sacramento CA 95819
650-839-1279

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I just read a wonderful article today in the Sacramento Bee about the birth of your son. CONGRATULATIONS!!! I found out this weekend that my son who is 3 months old also has Down's syndrome so the article was so timely for me and my husband. We have two older sons, Diego age 5 and Mateo age 3. Joaquin was born on 2-2-08. I would love to hear more about your journey with Trig.

I wanted to share with you that my husband and I are applying to attend a wonderful week course/seminar in Philadelphia at The Institutes for the Achievement of Human Potential on "What To Do About Your Brain-Injured Child". We hope to attend the June session. It would be so wonderful if you were to attend as well. The website is www.iahp.org. My husband has a nephew with Down's and has participated in this amazing program since he was an infant and he is now 16 years old and thriving.

Please let me know how I can get updates on how you and your son are doing. I wish you the best and hope to someday meet you.

Take care and congratulations again on your beautiful baby boy!

Jennifer Varanini Sanchez

jvaranini@yahoo.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:47 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 7:02 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. janet ross
address: 3415 45th street san diego CA 92105
619 2818516

MESSAGE:

Just would like to say how much I appreciate your ongoing prolife stand. God bless.
Janet Ross, San Diego

janetcrross1@earthlink.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:46 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 6:55 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Paula Wilburn
address: 22 Bannerwood Ln Palm Coast FL 32137
3864478034

MESSAGE:

Trig is absolutely beautiful. I was very blessed to read the articles regarding his birth, and you positive statements. I also thought it was pretty cool that you delivered at the hospital in Wassila because our close friend is a pastor at the Assemblies of God church there. Anyway, I also have a son with Down syndrome. His name is Keaton, he is 8 years old and he is the light of our lives and has molded who we are individually. He has 3 big sisters age 23, 22, and 20. Our son is fully included in a general education 1st grade class and doing very well there. We were encouraged to treat him just like we did our other kids. Not to treat him "special", but to expect much of him and allow him to show us what he can do. We have lived that way for 8 years and he never ceases to amaze us. I would love to send you pictures of him playing soccer, singing the National Anthem (which is his favorite), and receiving the "Terrific Kid" award at his school.

God bless you!

Paula Wilburn

funcoastdown@bellsouth.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:44 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 5:51 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Patty Barsalou
address: 4963 Aaron Dr Oscoda MI 48750

MESSAGE:

Dear Sarah,

Though we moved from Alaska in November to care for our parents, our hearts remain in the land of the north. Congratulations on the birth of your son, Trig and his good health. We are both so proud of you and Todd for your consistent parenting of your children, regardless of the needs of each one. We are praying for you both as you adjust to a newborn and juggle the needs of the people with the needs in your home. Keep pressing into Jesus, no matter what. He will always be enough.

Sincerely,

Patty and John Barsalou

jpbarsalou@mac.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:43 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 5:43 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Darlene Topp
address: 701 Palm Valley Drive West Harlingen TX 78552
956-873-2727

MESSAGE:

Sarah (my new sole mate): I too had a child with Down syndrome in 1973; I was 24 years old. It was my first child, a girl who is now very able to work and live as a part of the real world. Jennifer, now 34 years old, works at a BBQ restaurant and has for 13 years! She is so very proud of her accomplishments! She graduated from high school and proudly accepted her diploma in 1974. She is involved in her Sunday School class and has a large circle of friends in our First United Methodist Church of Harlingen (Texas). She has traveled across the US when we traveled as a family and knows how to read a weather map! Jennifer can read, write, tell time and has her own checking account! Her imaginary boyfriend is Joey from "Friends"; plus she can read the TV guide and knows "in her head" when her programs are (she loves "Ugly Betty"! She enjoys getting a massage and having her "hand nails" and "foot nails" done monthly! Congratulations on your Trig! Best of luck and a warm Texas hug to y

ou and your husband!

topp@xanadu2.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:42 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 5:35 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Michelle Newbold
address: 1503 Dover Rd Bloomington IL 61704
309-826-4258

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on your new baby!

We read a beautiful article in the Chicago Tribune about the birth of your new baby and wanted to send our congratulations! You and your family are on the best journey of your lives. We have a daughter with Down Syndrome who is 22 years old and we live in Illinois. We understand your feelings of shock and disbelief that your child was born with an extra chromosome. No one can ever prepare you but we wanted to tell you your child is the greatest gift and will bring you and your family many blessings and joy. There are two national organizations: National Down Syndrome Congress and National Down Syndrome Society and I would recommend you get on their mailing list. They are the best resources in the country concerning Down Syndrome. They have excellent conventions every year and are very positive and encouraging. Should your child have any additional medical issues you or your medical team can always call into these groups and they have provided excellent information to parents and profes

sionals. This year the National Down Syndrome conference is in Boston in August. It is definately worth attending the conferences - you can read about their workshops, etc on line and many times you can get the tapes from their workshops too. You can meet other parents. It is a great network. Best of luck! Our daughter Kristi has opened our eyes to a beautiful world we never would of seen and it is worth the extra long days of time and love our children with Down Syndrome require. The families and people with Down Syndrome who will touch your life will be unforgettable. Congratulations and our best to your family!

newbold@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:41 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 5:01 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Patricia Dorn
address: 7201 Tiki Drive Cincinnati OH 45243
5137910988

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin:

Congratulations to you and your family on the birth of your son Trig Paxson Van Palin!
What a beautiful, positive example you and your husband have given to acknowledge the
beautiful, God-given gift of life.

In this cynical, darkened world of ours, you and your husband have chosen not to hide your
lights under a bushel basket, but to let your lights shine! Thank you for brightening
our world.

Many blessings to you and your family!

Patricia Dorn

dornce@fuse.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:41 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 3:30 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Kiki Peppard
address: 1621 Starry Lane Effort PA 18330
570-460-8485

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor,

An article about you and your new baby was in our local paper today. First, congratulations to you and your family. Second, I wanted to share this article with you. In Pennsylvania, it is NOT illegal to ask a woman if she is married or if she has children during a job interview. Most employers won't hire mothers. Glad you got to keep your job!!

I thought you might find these stories interesting:

<http://www.mcall.com/news/local/all-bias-031708-lauer,0,7706748.story> and

<http://www.workfamily.com/work-lifeclearinghouse/GuestColumns/Peppard.htm>

Sincerely,

Kiki Peppard

kpeppard@ptd.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:40 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 3:30 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Brian Bissonnette
address: P.O.Box 348 Pearce AZ 85625
520-826-4064

MESSAGE:

Good Afternoon,

This message is intended to to be a personal message to the Governor.

First congratulations on the birth of fifth child. I was the grand father of Ashley Bissonnette who was born in Florida and lived in Arizona until her death on March 6, 2001. Ashley was 7 when she died of complications of an open heart surgery.

This letter is intended to be an indication of my sincere joy and well wishes for you and your family that may lay ahead for your journey that lies ahead. Ashley was and still is in my heart every day and if I may share some of my stories and some of my joys that she provided me with over her seemingly short but actually long and joyful life that she gave us than I would be honored to share some of them with you.

Love and Light for you and your Family in your Journey that Lies ahead.

Sincerely, Bumpa(Ashley's Grampa)

coronado@vtc.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:39 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 3:28 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: larry kelly
address: 331 gold claim ave fairbanks AK 99712
907-457-3542

MESSAGE:

Dear Govenor Palin,

My wife Nancy and I want you to know how blessed we are by you and your family's attitude towards Trigg and his blessing in your life.

Nancy and I are equally blessed by his presence in our lives as members of your great state. God has blessed us all by giving us a Govenor and family who have been deemed worthy of one of God's great blessings.

Imagine, we are the only state in the entire union who has a "First Trigg."

Thank you

larkelly@gmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:38 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 3:06 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Margaret Darke
address: 1607 Bon Air Dr. LEXINGTON KY 40502

MESSAGE:

Dear Mrs. Palin,

After reading an article in my local paper about both you and your husband's response to your newest baby, I felt compelled to write and tell you thank you for recognizing the gift in Trig's life and for your tangible demonstration of your commitment to life. Your husband was quoted in his response to the news of your son's diagnosis - what witness you both give. You are blessed in Trig as he is in both of you.

With all my best, Margaret Darke

mdarke1@hotmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:37 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 2:57 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Mary Gunsiorowski
address: 511 Oak Terrace Point Pleasant NJ 08742

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on the birth of your new baby. You are an example for all of us in standing by your principles and your beliefs even when they effect you personally. You are so right in the fact that every life is precious. Thank you for showing the people of the United States that women can care for family and the state.

jimguns@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:36 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 2:05 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. David Mellor
address: 9604 Bluff Trail Williamsburg MI 49690

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on the birth of your child, Trig. I'm happy to see the report and that you are well. I'm sure you are quickly learning about the challenges a boy with Down's can present, but I'm also sure you will face those challenges with grace and confidence.

As a Lutheran pastor, I've accompanied several families through their journeys with special needs children and have always been impressed by the joy they've found in their children. May you and your son be an example to us all and may God continue to bless you and your family.

dmellor@charter.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:36 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 1:20 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Susan Harper
address: 2116 Ives Lane Richmond VA 23235
804-283-0257

MESSAGE:

Sending you a 2003 newspaper article about a Down Syndrome

girl who had a GPA of 3.2 when she graduated from High
School.

Be Encouraged. God Bless!

I have a sister who will be 46 in July.

Susan Harper

prayerwalkerfd@yahoo.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:35 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 12:52 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. susan lin
address: 5095 pasadena avenue sacramento CA 95841
916-483-5066

MESSAGE:

Our local paper, The Sacramento Bee, had a write up on your new baby. Your husband's comment "well, why not us?" was soo appropriate and right. Taking your precious baby to work is also soooo appropriate. People need to work on their priorities. It is obvious that you and your husband are right up their where you should be. Again congratulations. You go girl!

s.lin@att.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:33 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 12:17 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Julia Lennan
address: 39527 Shadow View Court Temecula CA 92591

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on the birth of your adorable son!

julialennan@roadrunner.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:33 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 11:38 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Gary Long
address: 104 Green Ave Fountain Inn SC 29644

MESSAGE:

I am the mayor of a small town here in South Carolina. I have a precious grandson who was born with Down syndrome. My daughter-in-law has a blog that she updates frequently. I thought I would share the link with you so you could see what a blessing Carpenter Long, 3, has been to our lives. He is the 2nd of 4 children. My son, Jonathan, is his father.

The blog: www.longsjoyfuljourney.blogspot.com

Hope you enjoy and we will keep you in our prayers!

gary.long@fountaininn.org

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:32 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 11:20 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Walter McFarland
address: 9200 Highland Woods Blvd #1201 Chattanooga FL 34135
239-948-9846

MESSAGE:

My wife Sue and I read of the birth of your son Trig in the Naples Daily News this morning. Congratulations!

We also have a Downs son, Kevin. Kevin is 40, and a true gift from God. He has brightened our lives and the lives of his two older brothers. Everyone who comes in contact with Kevin loves him dearly.

Your husband's comment, "Well, why not us?" brought a tear to our eyes. He is a real man. God bless you, your husband and your other children. You are in for a treat and many years of joy. It won't be easy. But, with your love and understanding, you and Trig will succeed.

By coincidence, this morning's church sermon was about you, your family and Trig. It was titled, "Devine Interruptions." If you would like a copy, it will be on the church web site later this week at www.fpcbonita.org.

Our Kevin lives in a marvelous facility in Chattanooga called Orange Grove Center. We still maintain a home there and see him in the summer, fall and frequently throughout the year.

He lives in one of 65 group homes operated by O.G. in Chattanooga. He lives with 3 other

handicapped men with the house manager and his wife. We have lived in a number of cities over the years and we found that many cities do not offer much for the handicapped. Some cities, like Chattanooga do an excellent job. O. G. is one of the finest of it's kind in America.

Orange Grove Center has over 700 clients and operates a school, a health center, a habilitation center, a sheltered workshop and also operates Chattanooga's recycling facility on the Orange Grove campus.

They also provide specially designed individual programs for the handicapped. Kevin is in one of these special programs.

Four mornings a week the staff of O.G. drive Kevin to several local businesses where he spends the morning shredding documents. The remainder of the week, he shreds documents at O.G. carting his shredder from office to office. He is the President of his own company, The Paper Shredding Company, and his motto is "Have Shredder, Will Travel." He hands out his business card at every opportunity.

If you would like to know more about Orange Grove, you may check their web site at www.orangegrove.org. I suggest you may want to send an assistant to Orange Grove to see what can be done for the handicapped. They will be glad to help. Let me know if I can assist in any way.

Sincerely, Walter S. McFarland

golfwally@bellsouth.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:31 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 11:20 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Shawn Burrow
address: 3012 Appleford Drive Cheste VA 23831

MESSAGE:

To the Palin family. Congratulations on your beautiful baby boy!! My family was equally blessed on 12-17-2007 with Rowan who also has Down Syndrome. My other two boys are 13 and 19, so like you, we have lot of help. Our dear Lord only entrusts special families like yours and mine to care for these precious angels. Many prayers and Best Wishes from Virginia.

Mike, Shawn, Benjamin, Zachary and Rowan Burrow

alegalrn@yahoo.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:29 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 11:08 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Janelle Julian
address: 2474 SW Willowbrook Ave Gresham OR 97080
503-618-8436

MESSAGE:

Dear Sarah,

I read the wonderful article in the Sunday paper today. Thanks for your value of life, your wonderful example in welcoming Trig to your family. Our Benjamin also has DS, and is our 5th child. While we considered taking measures limit our fsmily to 3 children, we believe that God knew there was room for Kristin and Benjamin in our hearts and home. While they both have special needs and it certainly has had it's 'moments' and days and weeks...we have a sense of joy st seeing God's plans unfold for us and know that He walks beside us in years ahead. Prayers for you today and with a sister in Alaska, it would be pleasure to one day meet you.

Warmly,

Janelle Julian

julians2@juno.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:28 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 11:01 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Kelly Jaafar
address: 9672 Cow Pony Dr. Las Vegas NV 89123
702-286-1466

MESSAGE:

I read an article today about your new baby Trig. I'm so proud of you and your Husband!

Psalm 127 (NIV)

Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain. In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat for he grants sleep to those he loves. Sons are a heritage from the Lord, children a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are sons born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their enemies in the gate.

God bless you Governor Sarah Palin and Todd Palin!

Kelly

lvhomesbykelly@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:28 AM
To: 'laura.pope@babycenter.com'
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 10:51 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Laura Pope

address: 10514 Livewood Way San Diego CA 92131
8586352130

MESSAGE:

Hi and CONGRATULATIONS on the birth of your precious Trig! He is gorgeous! Turns out my husband, a lawyer knows your neighbor, Mark Choate! small world. Anyway, I am the mom of a 7 year old little guy. I didn't know he had it as I chose no genetic testing despite my age (40). Anyway, it was scary and overwhelming - I was single at the time with a 15 year old and I found BabyCenter's community when he was 19 months old and it was a godsend. I am an attorney but pretty much retired to do child and special needs advocacy. I began hosting their Down syndrome community and then hired as their staff to moderate their community. We have a brand new platform and I would be honored to invite you to it - it is in its alpha stage but I am sure we could be of great support to you. I know you are very busy but I do hope you would take a moment to pop in and lurk, and maybe join us - we have much to share and would love to share your Trig and our angels as well. (Plus, it's a great site with so muc

h more than only Down syndrome. ;) Again, Congratulations! Laura Pope aka BCLauraP aka MissFancyPants (my coworkers gave me that screen name...lol)

I'll send you an invite via separate e-mail.

laura.pope@babycenter.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:23 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 10:10 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. charles gardner
address: 4477 flower st. tokeland WA 98590
360-267-6238

MESSAGE:

my wife and i were lucky enough to have had a downs baby girl. she was the light of our lives. I was 23 my wife 21 when jodie leigh was born.no matter how much love you give her,she will give you more back in more ways than you can count, It sounds like you are already a wonderful person,but i gaurantee she will show you and your outhur children what a family bond is truly like. my only advice don't treat her any different than your outhur children,don't pity her.let your little angel have all the independence she wants' don't ever try to hold her back,she will learn and want to be her own person.If you ever want to talk please call and i can help you have a wonder life with your gift, since i have already been there. charles

gardner.charles@gmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:22 AM
To: Mason; Janice L. (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 10:08 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Malkanthie McCormick
address: 4848, Pleasant Grove Road Lexington KY 40515
859-533-6548

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Sarah Palin,

Please accept my congratulations on the birth of your son, Trig on the 18th of April, 2008. I would like to share a poem my 14 year old daughter wrote when her sister Megan was born with DS in 1988.

"Beauty surrounds man, greater than he can create
One of nature's greatest creation of beauty is the Rose
But not even the single most perfect rose
Can compare with the blessing of Life.
On October 27, 1988 you were given
The most beautiful joy nature can create"

You are correct that there is incredible potential in all of us and new life is a blessing and a miracle.

Megan is the youngest of 6 and has been the greatest blessing to our family. Megan at age 19 has been instrumental in opening many doors and introducing us to people and places

that we never would otherwise have had the opportunity to get to know! Megan is enrolled at a community college in Lexington and her plan is to be a certified occupational therapy assistant. She is a speaker on the subject of "Supported Post Secondary Education for persons with intellectual disabilities"

Trig has the same potential and the new information we are learning about DS every day is going to help Trig maximize his potential even more!

Please congratulate your husband Todd too....I agree with him

"Why not us?" Trig and Megan are challenges, true, but the blessings are worth every minute!

Our local DS association partnered in the development of a training module "Brighter Tomorrows" for the education of physicians on how to provide balanced information to parents who have delivered a child with DS or the diagnosis is made in utero as was your case. It was a grant funded by the Centers for Disease Control because it was felt that physician education was much needed in light of all the improvements made with health care and early intervention.

I hope some day that our paths will cross and that Megan can meet Trig! In the mean time, please know that our thoughts and best wishes are with you and your family!

Sincerely,

Malkanthie McCormick

mimcco2@email.uky.edu

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:21 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 9:31 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Eli Drake
address: 2920 Hughitt Ave Superior WI 54880
715-395-0634

MESSAGE:

Gov. Palin:

I am a Wisconsin resident that saw the AP article about your new baby with down syndrome. My wife and I have a 2yr old girl (Sydney) with down syndrome. It is a challenge but no regrets. We learn daily from her and she teaches us to slow down and enjoy the moments. The hard part is dealing with the gov't and not letting her fall through the cracks. Down Syndrome support groups help. My family wishes you best of luck and congrats.

Sincerely,

Eli C. Drake

P.S. My cousin, Ed Sasser, is Compact Director for your state.

ecdrake@centurytel.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:21 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 9:06 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Harley Johansen
address: PO Box 3553 Moscow ID 83843
208 744 1596

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

We saw an article about your new son Trig, and want to share some of our experiences raising Peder, our son who is now age 30. Peder was born in Morgantown WV and had the benefit of good infant stimulation programs from the very beginning. He now is a black diamond skier, a good water skier, biker, and weaver, among other things. He is the main weaver in our studio in Mullan where he makes rugs in the Finnish style that he learned at a studio in Finland. He speaks some Finnish, enjoys travel and has lived in Russia, and travelled to many other eastern European countries, and he has a very good understanding of both geography and history. I will send some pictures if you would like to see some of his activities. Just reply to this email.

Best wishes and congratulations.

Harley, Nancy and Peder Johansen

johansen@uidaho.edu

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:20 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 8:48 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Dorothy Jensen
address: 603 North 37th Street Yakima WA 98901
509-575-0147

MESSAGE:

I just finished reading an article in today's Yakima Herald Republic Newspaper in regards with your son born with Down syndrome. My granddaughter who lives in Denver also was born with Down syndrome. I would like to share a link with you that is based in Denver. My granddaughter Abigail will turn 5 this coming Dec. <http://www.mhdsa.org/InspirationMeyer.htm>

If you have any question please feel free to contact Delois at delois89@yahoo.com

Dorothy

jensen2001@charter.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:19 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 8:46 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Mary-Margaret Avelleyra
address: 1000 Spa Road, Unit 304 Annapolis MD 21403
410-570-8211

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I want to congratulate you and your family on the birth of your son Trig. When I read that he was born with Downs' Syndrome I felt compelled to write you. In a family of nine children, I am the sister of two wonderful women who also have Downs, Tina who will be 47 in August and Anna Marie who is 38. I am 43 so therefore, you can imagine the interest in our family as to why two children with this condition.

My sisters live at home with my 82 year old mother. Tina attends a workshop and Anna Marie works at St. Anne's a charity in Washington D.C. taking care of children. They truly keep my mother young and on the go! They are extremely well and have brought our family so much joy and an appreciation and acceptance of all people regardless of their stations in life. Our family ties, values and morals are grounded and close; I associate this to having Tina and Anna Marie in our lives. Please know although there will be challenges ahead, you have been blessed with an angel. You and your family are one of the chosen by God to receive an infinite and unconditional love from your precious son. God bless to you and yours, Mary-Margaret Avelleyra

avelleyra1965@hotmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:18 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 8:40 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Doug Stark
address: 3445 Moon Field Dr. Carlsbad CA 92010
760-500-6844

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I read in this morning's San Diego Union about the birth of your child with Downs syndrome. The article went on to speak of many of your accomplishments and activities. I just wanted to drop you a quick line and let you know that if I was an Alaskan, I would be very proud to support you. You appear to have many of the qualities that this country needs. The article also mentioned you as a possible running mate to Senator McCain. I would look forward to supporting that ticket. Good luck to you and congratulations on your new baby!!

Doug Stark
Supporter from San Diego

dougstark@roadrunner.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:18 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 8:19 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Roger Hickson
address: 10 Hawley st Lawrence MA 01843
508-223-7688

MESSAGE:

First of congradulations on the recent addition to your family. As a parent and grandparent, I think that you have been able to meld both a public life as well as a family. I have a grand son who has autisim, and you story touched me as far as you are helping not only the folks of your state, but the whole counrty to become more aware of the challanges that parents as well as grandparents face. Best of luck in all that you are doing....Roger

grampalroger@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:17 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: General_Administration

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 8:16 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: General_Administration

Web mail from: Ms. MaryAnn Rice
address: 1506 Ayre St., Newport Hts. Wilmington DE 19804

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor:

Congratulations on the birth of your son! As a parent of a Down's Syndrome son, age 28, I want to tell you that he is the joy of our lives! You are blessed in so many ways and you'll experience joy in a way that you've never experienced before. God Bless you and your family with love, good health and happiness always.

MaryAnn and family

MRiceLuv2@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:17 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 8:11 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Cyndi Massey
address: PO Box 521 Bryan TX 77806
9794121282

MESSAGE:

Just read an article on Yahoo about the birth of your new son. Congrat!! You have just been give the greatest gift!! I have a son with Down's Syndrome. He is now 26 years old. He has always been the light of my life. He can make a person smile in a minute and has done so in stores all his life. Use your experience to make like better for the differently abled persons of this country. My family and I have had to fight every step of the way to get Chris where he is today. We continue to fight now for him to have as close to a "normal" life as possible.

Just wanted to drop you a line and tell you to enjoy the new years as your son grows.

cstore@brencomarketing.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:17 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 7:04 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. gina rowan

address: 2701 turner grove drive S greensboro NC 27455

336 282-3779

MESSAGE:

I reside in North Carolina but admire you and what you stand for. I'd love to see you one day consider running for president. I know rumors are abundant about a possibility of you being John McCain's running mate. We need strong republicans in the white house. My biggest fear is he might not pick someone who will guarantee votes but when I heard you were a consideration my fears were diminished somewhat. I know you recently gave birth to a wonderful little person who needs you more than ever right now. I just hope whoever McCain's running mate is will have a similar platform to yours. Hugs from an RN, busy mom of 3, wife to a busy orthopedist! Gina Rowan

goodgirlsRfun2@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:16 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 7:02 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Ashley Cassity
address: 14081 Lott Road Citronelle AL 36522
2518669389

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I am not a resident of your great state and in fact have never visited it before, but as a new mother of a son with Down Syndrome, I want to praise you for your stance of continuing on your career in the face of your new challenge.

My son John William Cassity was born January 8th, 2008 with Down Syndrome and clubbed feet. Both of which were a total surprise to myself and my husband. We have taken the same attitude as you and your husband of "Why Not us", instead of "Why us"... God has a purpose with these special children and he selects special parents to have them.

I have already been to our states capital (Montgomery, Alabama) since he was born to lobby with several Moms for our states Early Intervention Program. The governors (Bob Riley) 2009 Budget was going to cut this program by \$2.4 million. Through our hard effort, we were able to convince the house and senate to reinstate \$2 million of that money. They understand that we were underfunded to start with (as everything is in this day and age) and have given us a priority on any extra money that may be left over from the budget.

I am normally not a "fighter", but since my son was born, I've had to become his voice too and fight for his future. I also have a 3 year old daughter with no disabilities. The best advice I have been given and I will pass along to you is... Treat your son Trig like you do your other children.

Good luck to you and your husband (and family) in the future. I know that Trig will bring you as much joy as my son has brought me.

Sincerely,

Ashley Cassity

ashaikin@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:09 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 6:12 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Christy Adams
address: 21 Trinley Road Linfield PA 19468
6104951669

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

This morning I read a short article on the internet regarding your precious new baby boy. I just wanted to thank you for standing up for what is right during times when so much is wrong. Having a baby God gives to us should never come down to a "decision." The baby is a gift we graciously accept with love and humility.

I am a homeschooling mom in PA and will use you as an example to my girls as a woman in leadership who holds fast to what is right.

God bless you and your dear family,

Christy Adams

bluemegnjock1@aol.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:09 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 6:10 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Doug Bennett
address: 5538 Jowett Ct Alexandria VA 22315

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on your new son. I am the father of an 11 year old girl with DS and welcome you to a new adventure in parenting.

Doug

dougmbennett@cox.net

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. peter wyman
address: 2639 north main street lancaster MA 01523
978-5379304

MESSAGE:

dear governor palin,

this morning when i opened my sunday paper i saw the first photo of you, your husband and your new beautiful son, all beaming with pride and it truly made me teary eyed. i am the single adoptive dad to 4 boys. 2 of whom have down syndrome. one was an abandoned toddler from cuba, left in ft myers florida and the other a new born boy, left at a hospital in boston on at 4 days old as his ethiopian family could not/would not accept that he had down syndrome. when i tell you that you have been blessed i sincerely mean it. my boys are the joy of my life. they are happy, well adjusted and loved. milestones are different but they come along. you'll be inundated with more information than you want i am sure but i will simply say he will be one of the many joys of your life. enjoy every second of him. raise him as you have your other kids and don't fret at the slower paced milestones. dr. alan crocker, one of the world's leading doctors for kids with d/s tells parents simply "enjoy them" and h

e is so right. so congratulations on the birth of your beautiful son, my best, peter wyman

wymanclan5@aol.com

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To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Seniors

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Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 5:33 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Mr. Jean Charles Soucy
address: 5 Stagecoach Court Uxbridge MA 01569
508-278-7492

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin:

I first wish to congratulate you on the birth of your new baby. I read with interest that your infant was born with Down Syndrome.

I too have a now 29 year old son with Down Syndrome who is the subject of a newly published book I have written about parenting Thomas.

I too have four son and have been happily married for 39 years.

At the risk of being presumptuous, I will mail you a copy Of Granite and Tigers: The Parenting of Thomas.

Once again Congratulations, and I do hope you see fit to accept my book.

Sincerely,

Jean Charles Soucy

teamleader2@charter.net

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Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 5:12 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Kristi Wegrzyn
address: 606 E. St. Louis West Frankfort IL 62896
618-932-3525

MESSAGE:

I just want to congratulate you on the birth of your beautiful baby Trig Paxon Van Palin. The first year will be the busiest time but it will get better. Remember God doesn't give you more than you can handle. Trig will be having a lot of doctors visit with speech, occupational, and physical therapy. This sounds like alot but it isn't. He will just get most of this the first couple of years.

My son Cody is 13 years old. He is the joy of my life along with his three sisters. Cody likes to ride his bike, play baseball, and don't forget the playstation 2. Just to show you there is no limitations on what he will do.

You will find alot of family and friends at www.unomas21.com. This web site is a great support.

I hope it was all right to send this here, but I wanted to let you know that there is alot of support out here for you. This will not limit what you can do.

Sincerely,

Kristi Wegrzyn

shyn20004@yahoo.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:07 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 4:57 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Elaine Weaver
address: 420 spruce street Roselle Park NJ 07204
9082417687

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

Congratulations on the birth of your new baby- he is beautiful. There was a story about you and your new baby on MSN.com. I am a nurse at Childrens Specialized Hospital in New Jersey and I view every child as a gift. Every child is here for a reason, I believe the main reason is to give us someone else to love! I wish you and your family the best! God bless all of you.

Sincerely,

Elaine Weaver

(mom to 2 boys 7 and almost 3-he wont let you call him 3 yet even though his birthday is 5/12!)

eka613@aol.com

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Subject: FW: Other

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Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 4:33 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Valarie Jackson
address: 406 W McClellan Flint MI 48505

MESSAGE:

Just wanted to say congratulation on the new addition to your family. The picture of you, your husband and baby Trig was so cute. You are a wonderful inspiration to all woman. Thank you and congratulations!!

valjsj@aol.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:07 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 4:30 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Leslie McNair-Jackson
address: 113 Creekmont Court Newark DE 19709

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I am not a resident of Alaska, but I just had to write and say that your story is just inspiring. You don't back down or compromise on important issues just because it is the popular thing to do. I was also encouraged when I read about you and your husband's response to the doctor's news about your son, Trig, "Well, why not us." It is such a blessing to Alaska to have a leader with such spiritual strength and moral integrity. As lawyer, I am confronted daily with issues which conflict with my own personal beliefs. It is difficult sometimes because lawyers are always supposed to make the argument in a "moral vacuum." It is difficult to do the right thing when it is not the popular thing. However, I read your biography and reviewed the policies and laws that you have endorsed/ enacted, and it seems you are able to strike a balance. You stay true to who you are. You are an example to not only your constituents, but to people in this county looking for true examples of leadersh

ip. You should SERIOUSLY consider a run for the White House (if you are ever so moved.)

As I said, I am not from Alaska, but at least one set of eyes in Delaware will be looking for your name in years to come

mcjack75@gmail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:06 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 2:23 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Jerzy Piątek
address: Lipowa7 Zawiercie OS 42400

MESSAGE:

Congratulations!

We are very glad that You decided to born this Child. God bless You!

Jerzy Piątek and family, Zawiercie
Poland

elzbietapiatek@vp.pl

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 10:05 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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Sent: Sunday, May 04, 2008 2:01 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Kathryn Richards
address: 275 Northfield Ave #7 West Orange NJ 07052

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on the birth of your son! What a beautiful example your family gives to a world that needs to be reminded of how precious life is.

God bless you.

Kathryn Richards

kateken12@aol.com

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 9:54 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Togiak

I will be at your office in 15 minutes. Talis

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Cc: Monegan, Walt C (DPS); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Tue May 06 09:47:00 2008
Subject: Re: Togiak

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Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 06 May 2008 09:48:28
To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Monegan, Walt C (DPS)" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Togiak

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To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
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I don't think it is a problem to leave. Just ssy when and ill be there. Talis

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 9:42 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Togiak

Importance: High

Mtg.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 6 May 2008 17:40:53

To: "Walt Monegan" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>, "Talis Colberg" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Rhonda (GOV) McBride" <rhonda.mcbride@alaska.gov>, "Glass, John D (DPS)" <john.glass@alaska.gov>, "Holloway, Audie E (DPS)" <audie.holloway@alaska.gov>, "Byrne, Cassandra M (DPS)" <cassandra.byrne@alaska.gov>, "Randy Ruaro" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>, "M Nizich" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 06 May 2008 09:39:33

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Subject: Meeting Request

Governor,

Joe Balash - along with Tom, Pat, Marty and Steve - is requesting a meeting to discuss a gas tax holiday with you. They are requesting 30 minutes tomorrow afternoon. We could plug them in at 1pm if that works for you.

Kris Perry, Director

Office of Governor Sarah Palin &

Office of International Trade

907.269.7450 (p)

907.269.7463 (f)

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:33 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Education

I'll take care of this.

Thanks,

Erika

Erika Fagerstrom
Executive Residence Manager
Governor's House
State of Alaska, Office of the Governor
716 Calhoun Avenue, Juneau, Alaska 99801
Phone: 907-465-3500; Fax: 907-465-2031

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 11:17 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Subject: FW: Education

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 3:26 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Education

Web mail from: Mr. Trevor Daniels

address: PO Box 20733 Juneau AK 99802

907-523-0695

MESSAGE:

This note is from my son Trevor. He met you when you visited Gastineau School and the Headstart Program. I also met you that day when I was covering phones in the office.

Dear Ms. Palin,

My name is Trevor Renee Daniels, I am 4 years old and goto Preschool. Can my class visit your house (the Governor Mansion) and have a playdate with your daughter? What do you do? (as Governor). Why do you work in the big building? Does your daughter help you? I help my mommy at school. I want to be a pilot, scubba diver, firefighter and construction person when I grow up. Thank you. Rebecca

merlynbol@aol.com

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Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Susan Harper
address: 2116 Ives Lane Richmond VA 23235
804-283-0257

MESSAGE:

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Be Encouraged. God Bless!

I have a sister who will be 46 in July.

Susan Harper

prayerwalkerfd@yahoo.com

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Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2008 4:57 PM
To: Sarah Palln
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: FW: Scheduling - Friday, 05.09.08 and Friday, 05.16.08

Importance: High

Governor ~ Your calendar shows the Speech for the Alaskan Police Memorial Ceremony in ANC. This was an invitation that we received from Comm. Schmidt and Comm. Monegan. They are requesting Governor or a designee to attend and give brief remarks during the memorial ceremony to honor the fallen law enforcement officers and the ones they have left behind.

Location: Anchorage Memorial Statue (in front of the State Crime Lab)

Date/Time: Friday, 05.09.08 - 2:30 p.m.

This time would coincide with the end of the 50th Anniversary Celebration - Press Conference - Print Signing at the ANC - M